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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Ioannis Pallikaris et al.  
Appln. No.: 10/787,026  
Filed: February 25, 2004  
For: Device for Separating the Epithelium Layer  
from the Surface of the Cornea of an Eye

Art Unit: 3764

### STATEMENT REGARDING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

The undersigned attorney hereby asserts that Applicants is a Small Entity status entity as defined under § 1.27(a), for the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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